[14th November 1961

National Flag at Meenambakkam Air Port

* 2065 *Q*.—SRI A. A. RASHEED : Will the Hon. the Minister for Home be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the National Flag in the Meenambakkam Air Port was pulled down recently by sympathizers and supporters of a political party; and

(*b*) if so, the action taken against the offenders?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : (*a*) No, Sir.

(*b*) Does not arise.

Crimes (increase in incidence in Tiruchirappalli district)

* 2067 *Q*.—SRI N. MARUDACHALAM (on behalf of SRI M. KALYANASUNDARAM) : Will the Hon. the Minister for Home be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government are aware that crimes such as house-breaking and theft are on the increase in the areas of Thillai Nagar, Tennur and Woriyur in Tiruchirappalli district;

(*b*) the number of crimes registered by the Police in Woriyur Police station limits, during the twelve months preceding 30th June 1961; and

(*c*) the number of crimes detected?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : (*a*) No, Sir. The crimes such as house-breaking and theft are on a par with the figures of last year in the areas of Thillai Nagar, Tennur and Woriyur in Tiruchirappalli district.

(*b*) 51.

(*c*) 27.

Ferry Service (Dhanushkodi–Talaimannar)

* 2071 *Q*.—SRI A. A. RASHEED : Will the Hon. the Minister for Home be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have recommended to the Union Government for the continuation of the ferry service between Dhanushkodi and Talaimannar; and

(*b*) if so, the reply received from the Union Government?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : (*a*) The Railway Board and the General Manager, Southern Railway were addressed in the matter.

(*b*) The General Manager, Southern Railway, has furnished the following information received by him from the Railway Board :—

" In view of the heavy losses being incurred on running the ferry service and also in view of sea erosion at Dhanushkodi, it was decided in consultation with the Ministry of Transport and Communications that the Eastern Shipping Corporation which is